

FORTY-SIXTH DAY

(Wednesday April 7, 1965)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Kennard
Bates	Krueger
Blanchard	Moore
Calhoun	Parkhouse
Cole	Patman
Colson	Ratliff
Creighton	Reagan
Crump	Richter
Dies	Rogers
Hall	Schwartz
Hardeman	Snelson
Harrington	Spears
Hazlewood	Strong
Herring	Watson
Hightower	Word
Kazen	

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Report of Standing Committee

Senator Moore submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Education, to which was referred H. B. No. 48, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed.

MOORE, Chairman.

Senate Bill 499 on First Reading

The following local bill was introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senator Harrington:

S. B. No. 499, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Acts 1961, 57th

Legislature of the State of Texas, regular session, Chapter 349, by authorizing the district to issue its bonds in the denomination of \$100.00 and any multiple thereof; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

Senate Bill 500 on First Reading

The following local bill was introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senator Harrington:

S. B. No. 500, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas known as 'Cardinal Meadows Improvement District'; declaring District a governmental agency, body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding the field notes and boundaries form a closure, and related matters; finding a benefit to all land and other property within the District; finding that District is created to serve a public use and benefit; conferring on District the rights, powers, privileges, authority and duties of the general laws of Texas applicable to water control and improvement districts created under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, where not in conflict with this Act and adopting same by reference; providing for no election for confirmation; providing for no hearing for exclusions; providing for no hearing on plan of taxation and adopting ad valorem plan of taxation for the District; providing for governing body of District; providing for qualifications and bonds of directors; naming first board of directors; providing for terms and election of directors and notice of directors elections, and related matters; providing for directors to fill vacancies; providing for organization of board of directors; providing for a secretary pro tem; providing for employment of engineers, auditors, attorneys, and other employees; providing for approval of District's plans and specifications by the Texas Water Commission and inspection during construction by said Commission; providing for bonds and refunding bonds to be approved by the Attorney General of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of Texas and providing

for negotiability, legality, validity, obligation, incontestability of the bonds and refunding bonds; providing the power of eminent domain shall be limited to Jefferson County; providing District shall bear expenses of relocating, raising or rerouting of any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipelines made necessary by its exercise of the power of eminent domain; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act shall have no application to this District; determining and finding the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d) as to notice of intention to introduce this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing for the selection of a depository or depositories for the District, and related matters; providing that Article 7880-75b shall be applicable to this District but requiring additional requisites prior to annexation of territory, and related matters; providing additional powers of District within and without boundaries of District but limited to Jefferson County; providing for the sale of bonds of the District and the exchange of bonds for property and for the minimum price of bonds at such sale or exchange; providing that Article 7880-77b shall not be applicable to this District, and related matters; providing that notice of all elections shall be under hand of president or secretary; providing for canvassing election returns; providing the bonds of this District and their transfer and income therefrom and profits thereon and purchases made by District shall be tax-free in this State; providing the bonds and refunding bonds of this District shall be eligible investments; enacting other provisions related to the aforementioned subjects; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

Senate Bill 501 on First Reading

The following local bill was introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senator Harrington:

S. B. No. 501, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing a conservation and reclamation district under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas known as 'North Nome Improvement District'; de-

claring District a governmental agency, body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries; finding the field notes and boundaries form a closure, and related matters; finding a benefit to all land and other property within the District; finding that District is created to serve a public use and benefit; conferring on District the rights, powers, privileges, authority and duties of the general laws of Texas applicable to water control and improvement districts created under Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas, where not in conflict with this Act and adopting same by reference; providing for no election for confirmation; providing for no hearing for exclusions; providing for no hearing on plan of taxation and adopting ad valorem plan of taxation for the District; providing for governing body of District; providing for qualifications and bonds of directors; naming first board of directors; providing for terms and election of directors and notice of directors elections, and related matters; providing for directors to fill vacancies; providing for organization of board of directors; providing for a secretary pro tem; providing for employment of engineers, auditors, attorneys, and other employees; providing for approval of District's plans and specifications by the Texas Water Commission and inspection during construction by said Commission; providing for bonds and refunding bonds to be approved by the Attorney General of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of Texas and providing for negotiability, legality, validity, obligation, incontestability of the bonds and refunding bonds; providing the power of eminent domain shall be limited to Jefferson County; providing District shall bear expenses of relocating, raising or rerouting of any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipelines made necessary by its exercise of the power of eminent domain; providing that the Municipal Annexation Act shall have no application to this District; determining and finding the requirements of Article 16, Section 59(d) as to notice of intention to introduce this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished; providing for the selection of a depository or depositories for the District, and related matters; providing that Article 7880-75b shall be applicable to this District but requiring additional requi-

sites prior to annexation of territory, and related matters; providing additional powers of District within and without boundaries of District but limited to Jefferson County; providing for the sale of bonds of the District and the exchange of bonds for property and for the minimum price of bonds at such sale or exchange; providing that Article 7880-77b shall not be applicable to this District, and related matters; providing that notice of all elections shall be under hand of president or secretary; providing for canvassing election returns; providing the bonds of this District and their transfer and income therefrom and profits thereon and purchases made by District shall be tax-free in this State; providing the bonds and refunding bonds of this District shall be eligible investments; enacting other provisions related to the aforementioned subjects; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

Notice of Executive Session

Senator Krueger gave notice that he would on tomorrow move for an Executive Session at 10:30 o'clock a.m.

Reports of Standing Committee

Senator Parkhouse by unanimous consent submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation, to which was referred S. B. No. 499, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed.

PARKHOUSE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation, to which was referred S. B. No. 500, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the

Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed.

PARKHOUSE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Water and Conservation, to which was referred S. B. No. 501, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed.

PARKHOUSE, Chairman.

(Senator Word in the Chair.)

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. B. No. 68, A bill to be entitled "An Act restricting the effect of adjudications in lower trial courts on proceedings in higher courts; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 86, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, by adding thereto a new article to be known as Article 5472e; requiring certain building and improvement contractors to give notice of certain subcontracts to the parties to the original contract; requiring certain contractors to provide, at a specified time, said parties with statements from said subcontractors of payment in full on said subcontracts; requiring certain contractors to provide said parties, at a specified time, with a sworn affidavit that said subcontractors have been paid in full; extending the time during which certain liens may be established; requiring certain information in said subcontracts; providing penalties for violations; repealing all laws in conflict; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 119, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Commissioners Court of Grayson County to ap-

point a juvenile officer and an assistant juvenile officer; providing for salaries and expenses of each; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 120, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 10.18 of Chapter 10, Title 122A, Taxation-General, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, cited as the Special Fuels Tax Law to reduce the amount of statutory penalties set out therein to conform to penalties prescribed by the Motor Fuel Tax Law in Article 9.18 of said Title, containing a savings clause, and declaring an emergency."

H. J. R. No. 51, Proposing Amendments to Section 1-b, Article VIII, and Section 51, Article XVI, of the Constitution of the State of Texas relative to homestead rights of unmarried persons.

H. B. 116, An Act relating to the creation, organization, powers, and duties of an underground water conservation district located in Atascosa and Wilson Counties, and declaring an emergency."

The House has appointed the following Conferees on H. C. R. No. 15: Miller of Harris, Duggan, Cavness, Ligarde and Townsend.

S. B. No. 179, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 4 of Chapter 435, Acts of the 50th Legislature, 1947, (codified as Article 4101-2, Vernon's R.C.S.), transferring all powers and duties of the Texas Council of Migrant Labor to the Good Neighbor Commission, repealing the provisions of Chapter 417, Page 1255, Acts of the 55th Legislature, 1957 (codified in Vernon's as Article 5221e, Vernon's R.C.S.), and all other laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act; providing an effective date; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 224, A bill to be entitled "An Act transferring fee simple title and the control and management of Moody State School for Cerebral Palsied Children to the Board of Regents of The University of Texas for the use and benefit of The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; providing for the appointment of a staff; providing for jurisdiction over

the physical assets; providing that all appropriations, grants and gifts made for the benefit of the Moody State School for Cerebral Palsied Children shall be administered and expended by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas for the use and benefit of The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; repealing all laws; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 225, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to physicians reports of certain injuries involving children; and declaring an emergency."

(With Amendments.)

Respectfully submitted,
DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives
(President in the Chair.)

Senate Resolution 431

Senator Hardeman offered the following resolution:

Whereas, A century ago, on April 9, 1865, one of the greatest dramas in the history of America was unfolded as the Army of Northern Virginia, Confederate States of America, was surrendered by General Robert E. Lee to Lieutenant-General U. S. Grant in a small private residence at Appomattox Courthouse, Virginia, and the rights of the States guaranteed by the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States were, in fact, abolished; and

Whereas, The final surrender came almost as an anticlimax to eight days of chaos when General Lee's army, on April 2, outnumbered three to one, abandoned the breastworks at Petersburg and began its fighting retreat over the 85 miles to Appomattox Courthouse, while the Capital City of Richmond defended only by convalescent remnants of Confederate troops, was pillaged and looted by mobs of both sexes and colors; and

Whereas, The end to four years of civil war, which tore the nation, slaughtered 617,000 Americans, and gave birth to modern warfare, was signaled when President Abraham Lincoln telegraphed General Grant: "Gen. Sheridan says 'If the thing be pressed I think that Lee will surrender.' Let the thing be pressed."; and

Whereas, The President of the

United States, with his wife, left his headquarters at City Point and boarded the steamer Malvern for the trip up the James River to Richmond, but the ship ran aground, and President Lincoln was forced to continue his journey to the captured Confederate capital on a barge, towed by a tug; and

Whereas, Confederate General John B. Gordon formed his attack about a half mile from the courthouse at Appomattox, and the sharp skirmish of the fire grew into a furious heavy volume of musketry; and as the sun drove away the mists of that Sunday morning, it looked upon a scene to become a thrill to southern hearts forevermore: "In a steady line, sustained on the left by artillery, which flamed forth at every step, with cavalry charging fiercely on the right, the Confederate line of battle scarlet almost from the array of battle flags floating over it, went forth to death, driving before it masses of blue cavalry and artillery"; and

Whereas, General Gordon's forces could not sustain the drive and soon fell back to Appomattox Courthouse; there was no help forthcoming for the hardpressed troops, and the only course left was surrender; and

Whereas, An aide to General Lee, Colonel Charles Marshall, was asked by the General to find a suitable place for the meeting with General Grant; he learned at the private residence belonging to Mr. Wilmer McLean, a citizen who had lived on the battlefield at Bull Run and had moved to Appomattox Courthouse to get away from the war, and General Lee waited in the parlor of this small home for a half hour with Colonel Orville Babcock of General Grant's Staff before General Grant arrived with a large body of mounted men; and

Whereas, General Lee and his troops had destroyed all their baggage, salvaging only one uniform each, and the Confederate General, standing ramrod straight, was wearing the dress attire he chose to save, a splendid gray uniform, a jeweled sword, boots ornamented with red stitching, his aristocratic bearing and impressive flowing silver beard never suggesting that he filled the role of the conquered; and

Whereas, In contrast, General Grant, short and stocky, wore the drab blue uniform of the private with

nothing to note his rank but his shoulder straps; his blouse was unbuttoned, and his hair and beard were brown with a trace of gray, although, at 42, he was some sixteen years General Lee's junior; and

Whereas, The terms of surrender were written at a marble-topped table in the corner of the room, and after some bargaining, General Lee agreed to the surrender, which laid down the arms of some 28,000 Confederate soldiers; and

Whereas, The Senate of Texas wishes to commemorate this episode in the history of the United States which restored the Union, but has never dimmed the pride of the South in a heritage made great by the valor and dedication of her heroes; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the 59th Legislature by this Resolution commemorate the Centennial of the Confederate surrender at Appomattox Courthouse; and be it further

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas, as a memorial to the men who died in the fight to preserve the rights of the states, reiterate the stirring words used by General Robert E. Lee as he last addressed his troops: "With an unceasing admiration for your constancy and devotion to your country, and a grateful remembrance of your kind and generous consideration for myself, I bid you an affectionate farewell."

The resolution was read.

Pending discussion of the resolution, Senator Word occupied the Chair.

(President in the Chair.)

Senator Hardeman asked unanimous consent to consider the resolution immediately.

There was objection.

Question—Shall S. R. No. 431 be considered immediately?

At Ease

The President at 11:03 o'clock announced that the Senate would stand At Ease Subject to the Call of the Chair.

In Legislative Session

The President called the Senate to

order as In Legislative Session at 11:15 o'clock a.m.

Senate Resolution 431

The Senate resumed the consideration of the pending business, same being S. B. No. 431.

Question—Shall S. R. No. 431 be considered immediately?

(Senator Kazen in the Chair.)

Resolution Signed

The Presiding Officer announced the signing by the President in the presence of the Senate after the caption had been read, the following enrolled resolution:

S. C. R. No. 64, Inviting the Honorable Praxedis Balboa of the State of Tamaulipas, Mexico, to address a Joint Session of the 59th Legislature on April 8, 1965.

Senate Resolution 431

The Senate resumed the consideration of the pending business, same being S. R. No. 431

Question—Shall S. R. No. 431 be considered immediately?

Senator Hardeman moved that S. R. No. 431 be considered immediately.

Pending discussion of the motion, Senator Cole raised the Point of Order that a motion to consider a resolution immediately was not debatable.

The Presiding Officer sustained the Point of Order.

Question—Shall S. R. No. 431 be considered immediately?

(President in the Chair.)

Report of Standing Committee

Senator Colson by unanimous consent submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Public Health, to which was referred H. C. R. No. 66, have had the same under consideration, and I am in-

structed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

COLSON, Chairman.

House Concurrent Resolution 66 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Rogers and by unanimous consent H. C. R. No. 66 was ordered not printed.

Motion to Adjourn

Senator Word moved that the Senate stand adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

Question on the motion to adjourn, Yeas and Nays were demanded.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—14

Aikin	Moore
Calhoun	Parkhouse
Colson	Ratliff
Creighton	Reagan
Hardeman	Schwartz
Hazlewood	Watson
Krueger	Word

Nays—15

Bates	Kennard
Cole	Patman
Dies	Richter
Hall	Rogers
Harrington	Snelson
Herring	Spears
Hightower	Strong
Kazen	

Absent

Blanchard	Crump
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Reports of Standing Committee

Senator Herring by unanimous consent submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which was referred S. C. R. No. 66, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

HERRING, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which was referred S. C. R. No. 67, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

HERRING, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which was referred H. C. R. No. 24, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

HERRING, Chairman.

Senate Resolution 439

Senator Moore offered the following resolution:

Whereas, On the 29th of April 1965, J. Wayne Stark, Director of Texas A & M University Memorial Student Center, will complete fifteen years of service to Texas Aggies and the State of Texas; and

Whereas, During these entire fifteen years, Mr. Stark has guided and directed the Memorial Student Center activities; and

Whereas, He has directed such programs as The Student Conference on National Affairs, Leadership Conference, Space Fiesta, The Intercollegiate Talent Show, and many other worthwhile programs too numerous to mention; and

Whereas, Mr. Stark's counseling, advising, and guidance has encouraged many Texas Aggies and young people who have had the pleasure of his acquaintance, to continue in a role of public service long after their days of education have been completed; and

Whereas, He is an asset to the Student Union Movement; and

Whereas, He served as President of the National Association of College Unions; and

Whereas, The recognition Mr. Stark has received has been very small, in

contrast, to the relentless time and effort he has devoted toward the development of opening new horizons in his youth programs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the State of Texas do extend its congratulations to J. Wayne Stark on the completion of his fifteen years as Director with The Memorial Student Center of Texas A & M University and that copies of this Resolution under the Seal of the Senate be sent to him and that when the Senate adjourns today, it do so in honor of J. Wayne Stark; and be it further

Resolved, That a page in today's Senate Journal be devoted to this expression of the Senate's admiration.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senate Resolution 440

Senator Rogers offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Today, the seventh day of April, 1965, marks the fifteenth wedding anniversary of our distinguished and esteemed colleague, Senator Don Kennard and his charming wife, Jackie, and

Whereas, Senator and Mrs. Kennard have graced the Austin scene for twelve years while Senator Kennard has served with honor and integrity in the House of Representatives and the Senate for the 10th District, and

Whereas, We hold this beloved couple in the highest esteem and desire to honor them on the occasion of their having reached this important milestone in their lives; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the State of Texas congratulates them on their fifteenth anniversary and wishes for them health and happiness forever together.

ROGERS

Signed—Lieutenant Governor Preston Smith; Aikin, Bates, Blanchard, Calhoun, Cole, Colson, Creighton, Crump, Dies, Hall, Hardeman, Harrington, Hazlewood, Herring, Hightower, Kazen, Krueger, Moore, Parkhouse, Patman, Ratliff, Reagan, Richter, Schwartz, Snelson, Spears, Strong, Watson, Word.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Hardeman and by unanimous consent the names of the Lieutenant Governor and Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was then unanimously adopted.

Message From The House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
April 7, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. B. No. 124, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining and prohibiting debt pooling; declaring debt pooling contracts to be void; providing exceptions; prescribing a penalty for violation; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives

Senate Resolution 432

Senator Word offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We are honored today to have as visitors in the Senate, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Warren of Fort Worth, Texas; and

Whereas, We desire to welcome these distinguished visitors to the Capitol Building and Capital City; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That their presence be recognized by the Senate of Texas, and that they be extended an official welcome.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Word by unanimous consent presented Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Warren, Mr. Warren being the brother of Mrs. Word, to the Members of the Senate.

Presentation of Guest

Senator Creighton by unanimous consent presented Miss Amy Word, the daughter of Senator Word, to the Members of the Senate.

Welcome Resolutions

S. R. No. 430—By Senator Harrington: Extending welcome to Sam C. Naifeh of Orange.

S. R. No. 433—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to Tom Truman of Waco.

S. R. No. 434—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to L. D. Hein, et al.

S. R. No. 435—By Senator Watson: Extending welcome to Fred Simon of Waco.

S. R. No. 436—By Senator Krueger: Extending welcome to students, teacher and sponsors of Brenham Junior High School.

S. R. No. 437—By Senator Herring: Extending welcome to students and teacher of the Ridgeway Elementary School of Austin.

S. R. No. 438—By Senator Aikin: Extending welcome to the Honorable C. M. Kennedy of Texarkana.

Adjournment

Senator Word moved that the Senate stand adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

Question on the motion to adjourn, Yeas and Nays were demanded.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—16

Mr. President	Hardeman
Aikin	Hazlewood
Blanchard	Krueger
Calhoun	Parkhouse
Colson	Ratliff
Creighton	Reagan
Crump	Watson
Hall	Word

Nays—15

Bates	Patman
Cole	Richter
Dies	Rogers
Harrington	Schwartz
Herring	Snelson
Hightower	Spears
Kazen	Strong
Kennard	

Absent

Moore

The President announced that he voted "Yea."

Accordingly the Senate at 12:01 o'clock p.m. adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

Sent to Governor

April 7, 1965

S. B. No. 399

S. C. R. No. 64

FORTY-SEVENTH DAY

(Thursday, April 8, 1965)

The Senate met at 10:00 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Kazen
Bates	Kennard
Blanchard	Krueger
Calhoun	Moore
Cole	Patman
Colson	Reagan
Crump	Richter
Dies	Rogers
Hall	Schwartz
Hardeman	Snelson
Harrington	Spears
Hazlewood	Strong
Herring	Watson
Hightower	Word

Absent—Excused

Creighton	Ratliff
Parkhouse	

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Leave of Absence

Senator Creighton was granted leave of absence for today on account

of important business on motion of Senator Hardeman.

Senator Parkhouse was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Herring.

Senator Ratliff was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness in the family on motion of Senator Rogers.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
April 8, 1965.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H. C. R. No. 84, Congratulating W. R. Beaumier of Lufkin, Texas, for receiving the Distinguished Service Award.

H. C. R. No. 85, Welcoming Governor Praxedis Balboa to the State Capitol.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives

Senate Resolution 444

Senator Herring offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We are honored today to have as a visitor in the Senate Mrs. P. J. Smidt, charming mother of Mrs. Culp Krueger, wife of our distinguished colleague, Senator Culp Krueger; Mrs. Ruth Frnka, sister of Senator Krueger, and Mrs. Betty Krueger, his sister-in-law; and

Whereas, We desire to welcome these distinguished visitors to the Capitol Building and Capital City; and extend our best wishes to them; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That their presence be recognized by the Senate of Texas and that they be extended the official welcome of the Senate.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Herring by unanimous consent presented the guests, together